

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached New drawing sheet adds new Figure 9. Support for newly added Figure 9 may be found, for example, on page 7, line 24, to page 8, line 9, of the present specification. No new matter is added.

Attachment: New Sheet

REMARKS

Claims 12-23 are pending in this application. Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 12, 13, and 15-22 contain allowable subject matter. By the Office Action, the drawings are objected to, and claim 14 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112. By this Amendment, the drawings and the specification have been amended, and claims 12 and 21 have been amended, and claim 23 has been added. Claim 12 has been rewritten to further clarify the subject matter being claimed. Support for the amendments to claim 21 and newly added claim 23 may be found, for example, on page 7, lines 19-22, of the present specification. No new matter is added.

Objections to the Drawings

The Office Action objects to the Drawings. Without agreeing with or acquiescing to the objection, Applicants note that Figure 9 has been added to illustrate a non-limiting exemplary embodiment of claim 21. Support for newly added Figure 9 may be found, for example, on page 7, line 24, to page 8, line 9, of the present specification. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph

The Office Action rejects claim 14 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite. Specifically, the Examiner asserts that independent claim 12 and dependent claim 14 are inconsistent because "claim 14 requires the stop to be formed from the doped region and claim 12 requires the doped region to become the portion of the surface that is roughened" (*see* page 3 of the Office Action). Without agreeing with or acquiescing to the rejection, Applicants note that independent claim 12 has been amended to address the

Examiner's concerns. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

New Claims

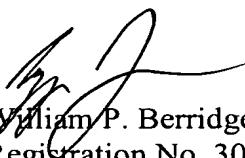
Applicants further submit that newly added claim 23, which depends from independent claim 21, recites allowable subject matter, and respectfully request that the Examiner indicate allowance of newly added claim 23.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 12-22 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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